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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mancini on January 6, 2011.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims: Claims 8-11 are canceled as non-elected.

Examiner note: The Quayle action of 8-11-2010 had a typo on the cover sheet indicating claims 1-9 were allowed. This was in error. The correct indication should have been claims 1-7 are allowed. It is noted the same cover sheet indicated claims 8-11 were withdrawn and the written text of the Quayle action indicated that claims 8-11 should be canceled to send the case to allowance. As such, the typo was easily understood to be in error.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thomas M. Lithgow whose telephone number is 571-272-1162. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. -Fri..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Duane Smith can be reached on 571-272-1166. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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